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California Department of Water Resources
Division of IRWM/Financial Assistance Branch
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Attn: Keith Wallace

Subject: **Draft Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) 2015 Implementation Grant Recommendations**

Dear Mr. Wallace:

On behalf of San Simeon Community Services District I would like to thank you and your department for a thorough review of the numerous Proposition 84 IRWM 2015 Implementation Grant applications submitted for your consideration. We are very pleased to be recommended for funding and are anxious to move forward with the high priority projects that were included in our proposal.

The proposed projects will function to support local IRWM planning and implementation and will greatly assist the SLO County IRWM Region in achieving long-term drought resilience and addressing the Human Right to Water Policy. These projects will strengthen the region by helping to achieve the 2014 IRWM Plan's strategic, long-term vision:

- Greater resilience in the face of uncertain hydrology and climactic fluctuations,
- Integration and improvement of our existing supplies and infrastructure, and
- Improved sustainability.

The projects do this by working at the sub-regional scale to address geographically-unique challenges and to strengthen each sub-region's ability to improve its long-term water resources management. Understanding that your recommendation is draft, we respectfully urge you to maintain the level of funding to support our Region's critical projects to strengthen local water supply reliability.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to develop a grant agreement work plan, schedule and budget that address all of the items noted in the proposal evaluation.

Thank you for considering this comment letter and for recommending funding to the SLO County IRWM Region.

Sincerely,

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Administrator, SSCSD